



PATENT 1638

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Cnfrm. No. : 8258

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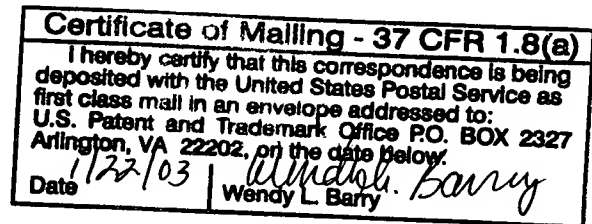
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Dear Sir:

In response to the October 24, 2002, office action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 21-42 and 47-50 without prejudice.